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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Wasco – One Deputy Killed, One Injured and Suspect Shot Following Standoff

(U) An armed standoff in Wasco led the death of a Kern County sheriff's deputy. The deputy, identified as Phillip Campus, was the father of two and served Kern County on Patrol, SWAT, and the Honor Guard. Another deputy was injured in the incident. Deputies responded to a 'shots fired call' and found the suspect at the residence armed with two other people in the residence. After initially firing at deputies, a standoff began that led to the two deputies being shot. After multiple hours, another shooting took place in which the suspect was shot and apprehended. The suspect was taken to the hospital and an investigation is underway.

SOURCE: 25 July 2021, [Bakersfield Now](#)

(U) San Rafael – Two Dead, Four Wounded in Downtown San Rafael Late Night Shooting

(U) Two men were killed and four people were wounded in a shooting at a parking facility near a nightclub in downtown San Rafael. Upon responding to the scene, authorities observed multiple vehicles fleeing the location. The victims of the shooting were discovered through traffic stops and traffic collisions in the immediate aftermath of incident. Witnesses advised that a gunman opened fire with an automatic assault rifle across the street from the garage. Investigators discovered dozens of shell casings at the scene.

SOURCE: 24 July 2021, [CBS San Francisco](#)

(U) Valley Center – Authorities Seize 100 Marijuana Plants, Shut Down THC Labs in Raid

(U) Authorities seized more than 100 marijuana plants valued at \$45,000 and shut down two marijuana-processing labs while serving a search warrant at a property in Valley Center. The San Diego Sheriff's Department raided the property as part of an investigation of unlicensed marijuana cultivation and sales in the county. HAZMAT was brought in to clean up materials that were used in THC extraction at the property. The process is dangerous to the public and hazardous to the surrounding environment. Detectives also found \$9,000 in cash, a small amount of marijuana wax, cocaine and psilocybin mushrooms, and several rounds of shotgun and .223-caliber ammunition at the site.

SOURCE: 23 July 2021, [San Diego Tribune](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) New Mexico – Fifteen Undocumented Migrants Discovered in White Sand Missile Range

(U) Lincoln County – Undocumented migrants that were part of human smuggling operation were found Friday in southern New Mexico. Authorities rescued 15 migrants linked to a deadly traffic stop the night before. Investigators believe the migrants were supposed to have been picked up by the driver of a U-Haul truck that was stopped the night before from which 10 migrants were rescued with one dying due to medical distress.

SOURCE: 23 July 2021, [CBS 4](#)

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(U) Texas – Couple Accused of Smuggling 89 Migrants across Mexican Border in Stolen Trailer

(U) Laredo – Authorities arrested a Texas couple for alleged involvement in a smuggling operation involving 89 undocumented migrants at the US Border with Mexico. The charges stem from an incident in which the couple allegedly approached a US Border Patrol checkpoint about 29 miles north of Laredo with an 18-wheeler trailer when they were stopped, searched, and arrested for smuggling. The suspects were paid to move the trailer from outside of a Walmart in Laredo, and through a checkpoint on I-35 and on to San Antonio. An investigation is ongoing and the suspects face up to 10-years in federal prison.

SOURCE: 23 July 2021, [Yahoo News](#)

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – FBI Warns Tokyo Olympics Could be Targeted by Cyberattack

(U) Washington – The FBI advised through an official notification to cybersecurity professionals that the Olympics occurring in Japan are ripe for cyberattacks by nation-state actors. In the notification, the FBI stated that the games provide an opportunity for state-backed actors to “sow confusion and advance ideological goals.” The FBI cited the potential for distributed denial-of-service attacks, where computers are rendered unavailable to an organization, targeting TV broadcasters, hotels, mass transit, ticketing services, and event security infrastructure as a possibility.

SOURCE: 24 July 2021, [Fox News](#)

(U) Florida – USCG Intercepts Vessel Transporting 23 Migrants near West Palm Beach

(U) West Palm Beach – The United States Coast Guard (USCG) stopped a boat of migrants off the coast of South Florida with 23 people onboard. The crew provided food, water, and medical attention to the migrants who were reported in good health. Officials transferred the migrants to the Bahamas and brought four suspects ashore for further questioning by authorities. Law enforcement officers took custody of the vessel.

SOURCE: 24 July 2021, [WPLG](#)

(U) New York – US Attorney Announces Results of First 2 Weeks of Federal VIPER Task Force

(U) Buffalo – The US Attorney General from Buffalo, NY announced the results of the first two weeks of the Federal Violence Prevention and Elimination Response (VIPER) Task force, a 60-day surge aimed at removing violent gun offenders from the streets of Rochester and Buffalo to enhance public safety. The task force arrested 138 individuals on firearm and narcotic related offenses. Authorities also seized 22 illegal firearms. Authorities advised a weekly report would begin next week.

SOURCE: 23 July 2021, [US DOJ](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Congo – Sixteen Killed in Road Ambush by Suspected Militants in Eastern Congo

(U) Beni – At least 16 people, including six women and two children, were killed in a suspected Islamist militant attack on a remote road in northeast Democratic Republic of Congo. The attack injured nine others with three in critical condition. Survivors blamed the assault on the Allied Democratic Forces, an Islamist militant group that claims links to the Islamic State in Iraq and ash-Sham (ISIS). Government agencies accused the group of killing thousands of people since 2014. There was no immediate claim of responsibility. The government declared martial law to quell violence, but the number of civilians killed in such attacks has only increased.

SOURCE: 23 July 2021, [Reuters](#)

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(U) Mali – France Advises Two ISGS ‘Leaders’ Killed in Mali

(U) Menaka – France advised its forces killed two senior leaders of the Islamic State in Greater Sahara (ISGS) group in Mali in an attack coordinated with the US. The operation hit a camp in the Menaka region of the West African nation killing the terrorists. One of the terrorists took part in a December 2019 attack in western Niger in which 71 Nigerians soldiers died. The operation comes as Paris plans to reduce its military presence after eight years in the Sahel region.

SOURCE: 24 July 2021, [Business Recorder](#)

(U) India – Top Lashkar-e-Taiba Commander among Two Terrorists Gunned Down

(U) Sopore – Authorities killed two Lashkar-e-Toiba (LeT) terrorists, including a top commander of the outfit, in an overnight encounter with security forces in the Sopore area of Jammu and Kashmir’s Baramulla district. Security forces launched a cordon-and search operation following a tip concerning the presence of terror militants in the area. During the search operation, two LeT terrorists were killed after repeated opportunities to surrender. One of the suspects was a top commander of the LeT and both were involved in various terror crime cases in the area.

SOURCE: 23 July 2021, [Economic Times](#)

(U) Iraq – Authorities Arrests ‘Cell’ Over Deadly Bombing Claimed by ISIS

(U) Baghdad – Authorities announced the arrest of a “terror cell” behind a Baghdad market bombing that killed dozens and was claimed by ISIS. The attack, which occurred earlier in the week in a market in Sadr City, officially killed 30 people. Authorities did not specify the number of people arrested, but the interior ministry advised the suspects were anticipated to make a televised “confession.” The attack sparked renewed fears about the reach of ISIS, which retains sleeper cells in remote desert and mountain areas.

SOURCE: 24 July 2021, [Daily Mail](#)

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